

REMARKS

Responsive to the requirement for restriction set forth in the Office Action, claims readable on Invention I are hereby elected for prosecution on the merits. The remaining claims (original claims 9-12, readable on Invention II) have been cancelled without prejudice to later divisional applications. The subject matter for former claim 2 has been incorporated into claim 1.

In order to address the numbering error arising from the missing claim 3, claims 4-12 have been cancelled and claim 4 has been renumbered as claim 13, claim 5 has been renumbered as claim 14, claim 6 has been renumbered as claim 22, claim 7 has been renumbered as claim 27, and claim 8 has been renumbered as claim 33.

New dependent claims that find support in paragraphs 25, 26, 29 and 34 have been added for each of the remaining independent claims. These claims do not introduce any new subject matter and because they depend from claims that were grouped in Invention I by the requirement for restriction, they are properly examined as part of that group of claims.

If there are any additional fees due in connection with this communication, please charge Deposit Account No. 19-3140.

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